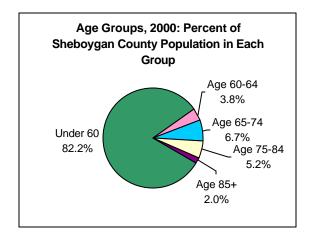
Sheboygan County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Sheboygan County is similar to that of the state as a whole (14.0% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been slower in this county than in the state as a whole (4.0% versus 7.9%). In all, 15,732 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 2,298 of these are age 85 or older. Sheboygan County's average (or median) age is 36.8 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Sheboygan County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	112,646		103,877		8,769	8.4%
Persons 60 and over	20,044	17.8%	19,681	18.9%	363	1.8%
Persons 65 and over	15,732	14.0%	15,134	14.6%	598	4.0%
Persons 85 and over	2,298	2.0%	1,737	1.7%	561	32.3%



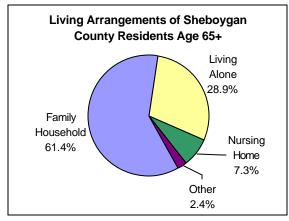
Race:

A large majority (98.9%) of Sheboygan County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Sheboygan County African Americans have a median age of 27.7 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 22.7 years. Whites, in contrast, average 38.3 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 43,545 households in Sheboygan County, 10,445 include at least one person age 65 or older (24.0% of all households). A total of 9,901 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 75.9% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (61.4%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 28.9% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.2% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 1,143 people age 65 and older live in Sheboygan County nursing homes (7.3% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



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